

Iraqi soldiers from 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division lineup before distributing information leaflets in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



An Iraqi officer from 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division directs his soldiers during Operation Striker Storm in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



An Iraqi man has an information leaflet explained to him by an Iraqi officer from the 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division during their informational operation distribution campaign in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



An Iraqi man shakes hands with an Iraqi sergeant from 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division during their informational operation distribution campaign in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



Iraqi sheiks greet 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division Iraqi soldiers while they distribute information leaflets in sector seven of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008. The leaflets contain information about denying the return of special groups to the area, which was named Operation Striker Storm, a smaller part of Operation Ironhorse Blizzard.

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Iraqi boys read information leaflets that were just given to them by Iraqi forces during an informational operation distribution campaign in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



Iraqi soldiers from 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division speak with an Iraqi man while distributing information leaflets in sectors seven and eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008. The leaflets contain information about denying the return of special groups to the area, which was named Operation Striker Storm, a smaller part of Operation Ironhorse Blizzard.

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U.S. Soldiers from 1st Platoon, Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 35th Armored Regiment, Task Force 1st Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment and 2nd Company, 3rd Battalion, 42nd Brigade, 11th Army Division Iraqi soldiers question an Iraqi man living in sector eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



A young Iraqi girl watches Iraqi forces walk by in front of her home in sector eight of the Sadr City district of Baghdad on Oct. 3, 2008.



U.S. Soldiers from Charlie Company, 2nd Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division and elements from the 8-2 Iraqi National Police, walk to waiting helicopters to begin conducting pre-mission helicopter mounting and dismounting procedures days prior to a late night air assault mission at Forward Operating Base Loyalty Landing Zone, Oct. 3, 2008.

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Lt. Col. Christopher Lestochi, 54th Combat Engineer Battalion Commander, and Lt. Col Bassem Hasan Abud, 8th Division Iraqi Army Field Engineer Regiment Commander shake hands in congratulations upon breaking ground to commence the start of a joint U.S./Iraq project that will join Multi-National Division Central South, Camp Echo, and the 8th Division Iraqi Army camp, "Camp Diwo", Oct. 5, 2008, at Camp Echo, Iraq. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Matthew Plew/Released) 081004-F-3452P-056



Soldiers from the 8th Division Iraqi army listen intently as they receive an introductory class in basic pre-mission procedures for route clearing from U.S. Soldiers from 1st Platoon, 370th Engineer Company, 54th Combat Engineer Battalion, Bamberg, Germany, Oct. 6, 2008, at the 8th Division Iraqi army Camp, Iraq.



U.S. Marine Staff Sgt. Theo Mahiai of Molokai, Hawaii, an MV-22 Osprey crew chief from Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 266 (VMM-266), keeps a watchful eye out the rear of his aircraft on the flightline at Al Asad Air Base in the Anbar province of Iraq on Oct. 5, 2008.